

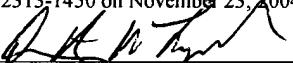


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2004, reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments to the claims and remarks below.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.